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FOR : SECRETED SOLUBLE $\alpha_2\delta$ -2, $\alpha_2\delta$ -3, OR $\alpha_2\delta$ -4 CALCIUM CHANNEL
SUBUNIT POLYPEPTIDES AND SCREENING ASSAYS USING
SAME

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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

November 1, 2002

BOX RCE
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated May 1, 2002. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is submitted herewith. Please enter the amendments set forth below. No new matter is introduced by way of this submission. Reconsideration of the captioned application in light of these amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please correct the following informalities:

At page 9, lines 35-38:

C1 *See D15*
In a first preferred embodiment of the above method, the nucleic acid encodes a secreted soluble $\alpha_2\delta$ -2, $\alpha_2\delta$ -3 or $\alpha_2\delta$ -4 subunit polypeptide of SEQ ID NO: 4, SEQ ID NO: 5, SEQ ID NO: 6, SEQ ID NO: 10, SEQ ID NO: 11, SEQ ID NO: 12, SEQ ID NO: 16, SEQ ID NO: 17 and SEQ ID NO: 18.